

IN THE CLAIMS:

The text of all pending claims, (including withdrawn claims) is set forth below. Cancelled and not entered claims are indicated with claim number and status only. The claims as listed below show added text with underlining and deleted text with ~~strikethrough~~. The status of each claim is indicated with one of (original), (currently amended), (cancelled), (withdrawn), (new), (previously presented), or (not entered).

Please CANCEL claims 6, 7 and 9, AMEND claim 1 and 10, and ADD claims 11 and 12 in accordance with the following:

1. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) A server for performing a process corresponding to requests from a plurality of clients, the server comprising:

environment setting information storing means for storing environment setting information regarding each client;

client specifying means for specifying, in the case of a request for a process having been made from a predetermined client, the client which made the request;

environment setting means for obtaining environment setting information corresponding a client specified by the client specifying means from the environment setting information storing means and setting the corresponding environment; and

processing means for performing a process corresponding to the request on the basis of an environment set by the environment setting means; and

client state information storing means for storing information indicating a state of each client, where when a request for a process is made from a client the use of which is prohibited by information stored in the client state information storing means, the processing means reserves the performance of the process;

wherein the client specifying means specifies the client by referring to information included in a packet sent from the client.

2. (ORIGINAL) The server according to claim 1, wherein the environment setting information depends on a using environment for each client.

3. (ORIGINAL) The server according to claim 1, wherein the clients are used by one or more users, further wherein the environment setting information includes both information which depends on a using environment for each client and information which depends on each user, further wherein the environment setting means sets an environment in compliance with both

information which depends on a using environment for each client and information which depends on each user.

4. (ORIGINAL) The server according to claim 1, further comprising environment setting information inputting means for accepting input of the environment setting information from the client side.

5. (ORIGINAL) The server according to claim 1, wherein the environment setting information inputting means accepts only environment information input by an authorized user.

6. (CANCELLED)

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8. (ORIGINAL) The server according to claim 1, wherein the client specifying means specifies the client by referring to an address given to the client.

9. (CANCELLED)

10. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) A computer-readable record medium recording a server program for performing a process corresponding to requests from a plurality of clients, the program comprising the functions of:

environment setting information storing means for storing environment setting information regarding each client;

client specifying means for specifying, in the case of a request for a process having been made from a predetermined client, the client which made the request;

environment setting means for obtaining environment setting information corresponding a client specified by the client specifying means from the environment setting information storing means and setting the corresponding environment; and

processing means for performing a process corresponding to the request on the basis of an environment set by the environment setting means; and

client state information storing means for storing information indicating a state of each client, where when a request for a process is made from a client the use of which is prohibited by information stored in the client state information storing means, the processing means

reserves the performance of the process;

wherein the client specifying means specifies the client by referring to information included in a packet sent from the client.

11. (NEW) A method for correspondingly executing processes of clients, comprising:

identifying a requesting client when receiving a request to execute a process from one of the clients;

obtaining stored environment setting information corresponding to the requesting client; and

setting a respective environment of the requesting client, with the requesting client being determined based on a packet sent from the requesting client and processes of the requesting client being executed based on the set environment of the requesting client.

12. (NEW) A server for performing a process corresponding to requests from a plurality of clients, comprising:

client identifying unit for identifying a requesting client when receiving a request to execute a process from one of the clients;

an environment setting device for obtaining a stored environment setting information corresponding to the requesting client; and

a processor for setting a respective environment of the requesting client, with the requesting client being determined based on a packet sent from the requesting client and processes of the requesting client being executed based on the set environment of the requesting client.